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Applicant : Beane et al.

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Title : SURGICAL SUTURE PLACEMENT DEVICE

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As a below-named inventor(s), I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed
and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SURGICAL SUTURE PLACEMENT DEVICE

the specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto.
- ☒ was filed on July 3, 2003, as Application Serial No. 10/613,502, and was
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified
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